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**ABSTRACT**

Recording of peripheral image information by an electronic apparatus is designed to be conducted only at a time when an illegal use of the apparatus is determined, whereby the consumption of the resource for the apparatus is reduced to minimize resources and, thereby making it possible to simplify the simplifying recording. The electronic apparatus comprises includes a first memory storing therein a parameter representing at least one condition[[s]] for the illegal use of the apparatus and a control unit for storing in a second memory image information by a photographing device that ~~which~~ has photographed ~~the~~ a user of the apparatus when after the conditions represented by the parameter are established satisfied. The control unit controls the output of the image information stored in the second memory through an output direction and directs a BIOS setup program to read out the parameter in the first memory and record the image information into the second memory. ~~Furthermore, the control unit, and~~ directs an operating system or an application program running on the apparatus to set and alter the parameter in the first memory via an interface ~~prepared~~ in the BIOS program.